

MINUTES of a MEETING of ST AUSTELL TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING AND REGENERATION COMMITTEE held on MONDAY 21st MAY 2018 in the Stable Block at Pondhu House, Penwinnick Road, St Austell, Cornwall PL25 5DP at 6pm.

Present: Councillors: Bull, Colwill, Jones, King, Lanxon, Leonard, Oxenham, Palmer, Pearce, Styles, Thompson and Walker.

In attendance: David Pooley (Town Clerk) and Sara Gwilliams (Deputy Town Clerk).

Councillor Bull arrived during the next item.

P/18/01) Election of Chairman

Councillor King asked for nominations for Chairman. Nominations were received for Councillors Oxenham, Palmer and Thompson.

It was **RESOLVED** that the election of Chairman should be undertaken by way of a secret ballot.

A secret ballot was undertaken with Councillor Palmer receiving 5 votes Councillor Oxenham receiving 3 votes and Councillor Thompson receiving 3 votes.

Due to the lack of a majority, the Town Clerk declared that a second ballot needed to be undertaken.

The Chairman provided the casting vote which eliminated Councillor Thompson and a further secret ballot was undertaken with Councillor Palmer receiving 6 votes and Councillor Oxenham 5 votes.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Palmer be elected Chairman of the Planning and Regeneration Committee for the 2018/19 civic year.

Councillor Palmer thanked Members for their support and took the Chair.

P/18/02) Election of Vice-Chairman

Councillor Palmer asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman. Nominations were received for Councillors Oxenham and Walker.

A secret ballot was undertaken with Councillor Walker receiving 7 votes and Councillor Oxenham 4 votes.

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillor Walker be elected Vice-Chairman of the Planning and Regeneration Committee for the 2018/19 civic year.

P/18/03) Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

P/18/04) Declarations of Interest

None.

P/18/05) Dispensations

The Clerk advised that no requests for dispensations had been received.

P/18/06) Minutes from the Meeting dated 30th April 2018

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 30th April 2018 be approved and signed as a correct record.

P/18/07) Matters to note

The Clerk advised that he had nothing to add.

P/18/08) Public participation

Mr Wellicom introduced himself to Members and advised that he is unhappy with the lack of progress of the café/toilets at Poltair Park and the drainage issues which, during the winter months, causes regular flooding and mud on the paths.

He also expressed his disappointment with the standard of maintenance in cemetery park and highlighted in particular the weeds around the gravestones, the rusting railings and the removal of two benches.

Mr Wellicom also drew Members attention to the building in High Cross Street which has been boarded up for a number of years and is in his view an eye sore for people travelling to and from the town centre from the station.

The Clerk and Councillor Bull explained the various issues which have prevented the Section 106 project from moving forward in Poltair Park. The Clerk also explained the individual responsibilities of the Town Council and Cornwall Council with regard to the maintenance of Cemetery Park and agreed to try to find a solution for the cleaning and re-painting of the railings in and around the park, possibly using the community pay back team.

P/18/09) Planning Applications

- i. **PA18/01870:** Asda Superstore St Austell PL25 4PR. Proposed pod for retail use.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- ii. **PA18/02965:** 86 Lostwood Road St Austell Cornwall PL25 4JS. Proposed two storey extension for kitchen, bedroom and bathroom and new vehicular access.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- iii. **PA18/03007:** Penrice Academy Charlestown Road Charlestown St Austell. Construction of new single storey school building, consisting of two new science classrooms. New paved footpaths leading to new building and modular canopy over path.

It was **RESOLVED** to support this application.

- iv. **PA18/03249:** Land South Of 12 Turnavean Road Turnavean Road St Austell Cornwall. Erection of dwelling and formation of parking space to serve host dwelling.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- v. **PA18/03384:** Land South Of 3 Poltair Road Poltair Road St Austell Cornwall. Outline planning permission with some matters reserved: Demolition of existing garage and construction of new dwelling and associated works.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application subject to the proposal being one dwelling.

- vi. **PA18/03592:** 12 Poltair Road St Austell PL25 4LS. Non-Material Amendment relating to PA17/06954 (conversion of existing garage to form granny annexe, including provision of pitched roof in place of existing flat roof with accommodation therein) to allow for the swapping of the ground floor windows on the front elevation.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- vii. **PA18/03596:** 70 Boscoppa Road St Austell Cornwall PL25 3DT. Removal of existing rear door and window. Door opening made wider. New door and window installed with level access. New

raised timber deck area to rear of property all to allow access to the rear of the property for the client who is a wheelchair user.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- viii. **PA18/03651:** 33 Bodmin Road St Austell PL25 5AE. Change of use from C3 Dwelling use to C1 Hotel use as Guesthouse business grows from 3 to 5 letting rooms.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- ix. **PA18/03652:** 2 Horse Whim Drive St Austell PL25 3XB. Works to fell one Ash Tree (T1), re-coppice Sycamore Group (G1) and crown lift to 5.2m mixed Species (G2) covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application subject to the Tree Officer being happy with the proposals and a replacement Ash tree planted if the Ash tree is felled.

- x. **PA18/03692:** Bradford Building Supplies Manfield Way St Austell Cornwall. On site traffic management and parking.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

- xi. **PA18/03819:** 98 Truro Road St Austell Cornwall PL25 5HH. Works to trees in a conservation area - Felling of Ginkgo Biloba (T1), Lawson's Cypress (T2) and Pittosporum Tenuifolium (T3).

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application subject to the Tree Officer being happy with the proposals and replacement trees planted.

- xii. **PA18/03922:** St Piran Lodge 65 Truro Road St Austell Cornwall. Tree works to remove two Cypress trees subject to a TPO.

It was **RESOLVED** to strongly object to this proposal.

- xiii. **PA18/04003:** 51 Meadway St Austell PL25 4HT. Single-storey extension.

It was **RESOLVED** to object to this application on the grounds of the scale and massing of the proposal.

P/18/10) Premises Licence Applications

1. Premises Name and Address: Co-op (Moorland Road) West Hill, St Austell, PL25 5BS. Application Type: Minor Variation. Licensable Activities: Plans.

It was **RESOLVED** to make no objection to this application.

Councillors King and Jones abstained from voting on this application

P/18/11) Planning Decisions

It was **RESOLVED** that the report and decisions be noted.

P/18/12) Cornwall Council – Urgent Delegated Planning Decisions

The Clerk advised that under delegated procedures the Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Planning & Regeneration Committee has asked that planning application number PA17/11743 be determined by Cornwall Council's Central Sub-Area Planning Committee.

P/18/13) Dates of Meetings

It was noted that the dates of the next meetings of the Planning and Regeneration Committee are Monday 18th June 2018 and Monday 23rd July 2018.

The meeting closed at 7.01pm.